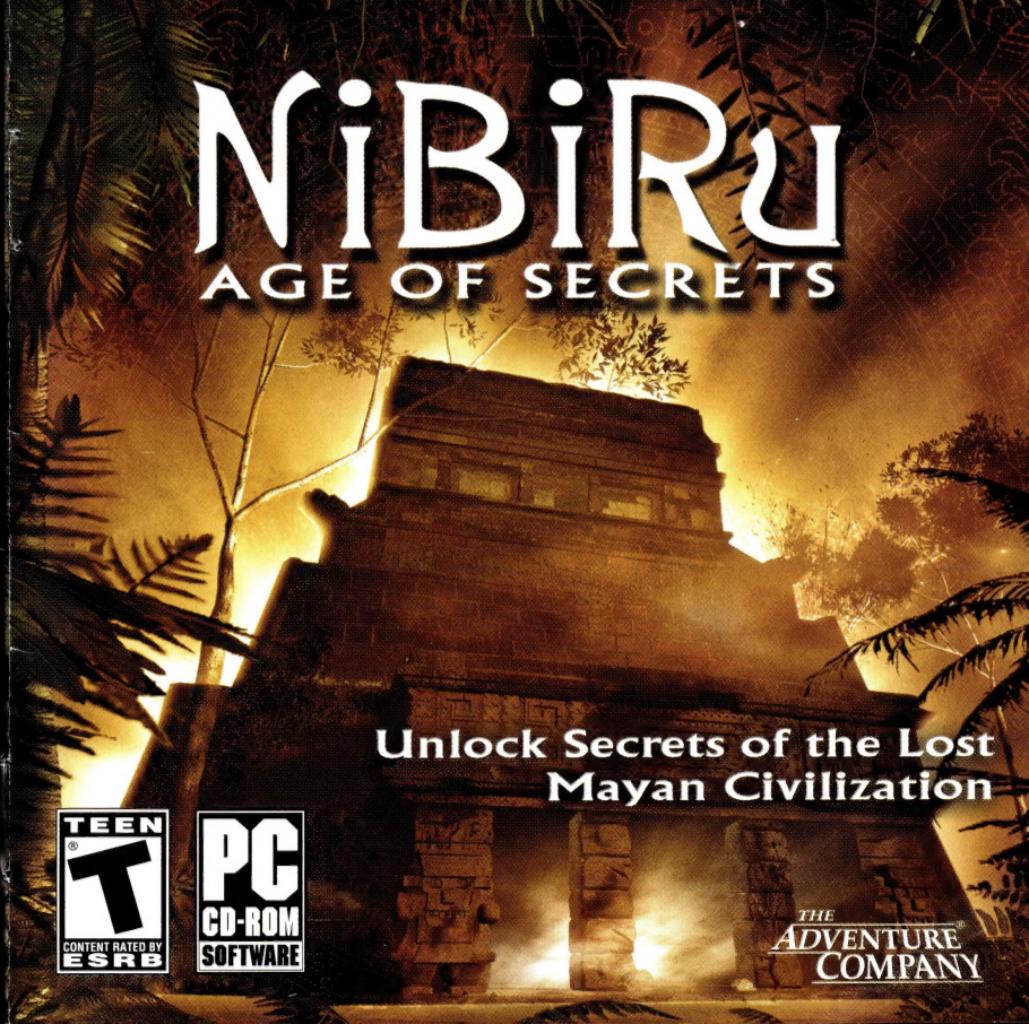


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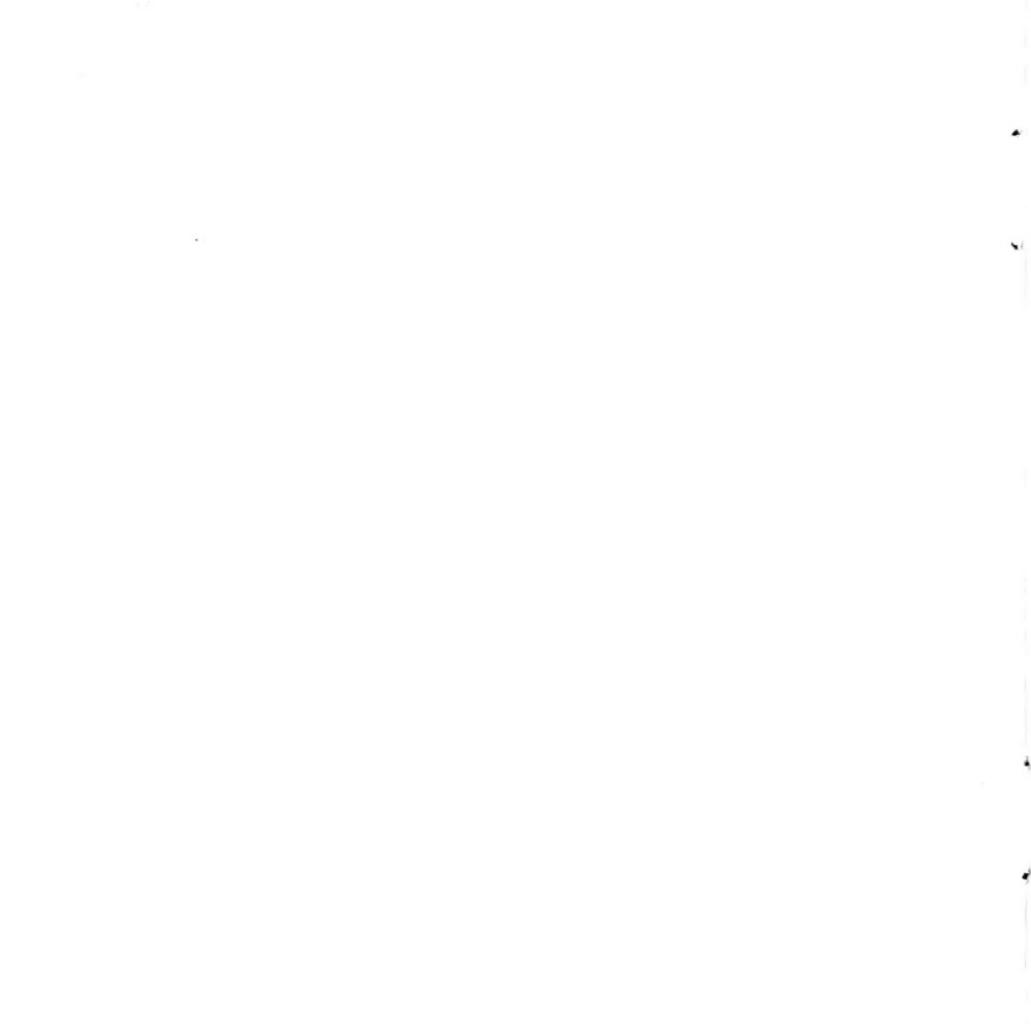


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- Make sure that the room in which you are playing is well lit.
- Rest for a period of 10 to 15 minutes for every hour you play a video game.

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INTRODUCTION

What begins as a short expedition to Prague to examine an enigmatic tunnel turns into a dangerous and thrilling mystery, where murder, deception, the deep dark secrets of the Nazis, and the demise of the Mayan civilization, have our hero reeling into the heart of an exhilarating adventure.

You play as Martin Holan, a linguistics and archeology student who has been contacted by his uncle to examine a mysterious World War II tunnel unearthed while building a new highway in Bohemia. A friend of Martin's uncle is supposed to meet Martin upon his arrival to brief him on the mysterious discovery, however when he arrives in Prague he discovers she has been murdered.

SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

MINIMUM

Windows® 98/ME/2000/XP

800 MHz Pentium® III Processor (or Equivalent)

128 MB RAM

32 MB DirectX® 8.1 Compatible Video Card

DirectX® Compatible Sound Card

2.5 GB Free Disk Space

32x CD-ROM or 16x DVD-ROM

Mouse & Keyboard

DirectX® 9.0 or Higher



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Windows® 98/ME/2000/XP

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64 MB DirectX® 8.1 Compatible Video Card

DirectX® Compatible Sound Card

2.5 GB Free Disk Space

48x CD-ROM or 16x DVD-ROM

Mouse & Keyboard

DirectX® 9.0 or Higher

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

It is strongly recommended that you close all non-essential programs before beginning the installation of any software on your computer. This includes screen savers and anti-virus software, which may interfere with the installation process.

- 1. Insert NIBIRU CD1 into your CD/DVD-ROM drive.**
- 2. If the auto-run mode on your computer is active, the installation will start automatically when you insert the CD into the drive. Follow the on-screen instructions.**

If the auto-run mode on your computer is disabled, input the following:

- a) At the Windows® desktop, click on 'Start.'**
- b) Select 'Run' and type the letter of your CD/DVD-ROM drive and Setup.exe.
(i.e.: D:\ Setup.exe)**

Or

- a) Double-click on 'My Computer.'**
- b) Right-click on the CD/DVD-ROM drive with NIBIRU_CD1 and select 'Open' to access the contents of the CD.**
- c) Double-click on the 'Setup.exe' file to launch the installation.**

3. Read and click-to-accept the 'End User License Agreement,' then follow the on-screen instructions.
4. The installation will automatically create a program icon group and ask if you would like to create a shortcut on your desktop.
5. To launch the game, from the Windows® desktop, select:

Start -> Programs -> The Adventure Company -> NIBIRU -> Run NIBIRU

UNINSTALL INSTRUCTIONS

To uninstall NIBIRU, complete the following actions:

At the Windows® desktop, select:

Start -> Programs -> The Adventure Company -> NIBIRU -> Uninstall NIBIRU

MAIN MENU

At the Main Menu you may access the following items:

NEW GAME: Begin a new game

SAVE GAME: Allows you to save your current game in progress

LOAD GAME: Load a previously saved game

OPTIONS: Customize the video and sound settings and turn Subtitles on or off

CREDITS: View the list of people who worked on this game

QUIT: Exit out of the game

SAVING YOUR GAME

Click the cogwheel icon at the top right of the screen. This will take you back to the Main Menu. Select 'Save Game' and choose one of the empty windows to save your game. If you choose a window that already contains a saved game you will overwrite that data and lose your old saved game. The saved games will contain the date and time of the save below the picture.



LOADING A SAVED GAME

At the Main Menu choose 'Load Game' to access your list of saved games. Select the game you wish to load indicated by an image of that game location, the date and time when it was saved. You will then be taken to that area of gameplay.

To return to the current game without loading a new game, click on the 'Back' icon in the bottom right corner of the screen.

QUITTING THE GAME

To quit the game, click on the cogwheel in the top right corner of the screen. Once at the Main Menu select 'Quit.'

GAMEPLAY NAVIGATION

Cursors:



Exit points are shown as 'door' icons.



"Mouse over" the cogwheel icon in the top right corner of the screen. Click on it to exit out to the Main Menu.



Click on this symbol to return back to the game from the Main Menu or to exit out of a close up view in various parts of the game. This symbol is normally located in the bottom right corner.



All active objects in the game, as well as in the inventory, are described at the top of the screen. "Mousing" over them will change the color of the mouse pointer.

- Inactive (silver)
- Active (gold)



Use the 'scroll' arrows to navigate through your inventory.

- Scroll Left
- Scroll Right



Indicates you can converse with a character.

Navigation Tips:

- Use the left mouse button to control your character. To transition quickly from one screen to another, double-click your left button at the different exit points.
- To show all active exit points, on the screen, press the 'Tab' button on your keyboard.
- Use, collect or activate an active item or subject by clicking your left mouse button. Most items in the game can be examined and are described by right-clicking your mouse button.
- Items collected during the game are saved in the game inventory at the bottom of the screen. When you collect a new item, an icon will be displayed within the inventory bar and briefly at the top-left of the screen.
- It is possible to combine an item with another. Simply click on the first item to grab it then drag it to another item in the inventory bar.
NOTE: Not all items can be combined. Correct combinations will be indicated by a new pulsating icon of the item.
- During dialogue, you may notice different topics you may discuss. Left click on the topic you wish to discuss located at the bottom of the screen. These topics will be represented by icons.

GAME HINTS

1. We recommend you right click and examine all items and objects on a regular basis.
2. Make sure to examine and/or keep (if possible) any object you come across.
3. Use deductive reasoning. Any item can possibly be combined with other items such as oils and solvents for lubrication, tools and metallic pieces to help open larger objects, or simply dig around.
4. We recommend that you routinely try to combine various objects together. For example, you know that vegetables and canned food are both edible, therefore they can possibly be combined. This also applies to rope or threads in combination with other items.

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FIRST FIVE MINUTES OF GAMEPLAY

Prague – Charles Bridge

After the introduction, you find yourself on the Charles Bridge in old Prague. Talk to the painter, but at first he will refuse to speak to you until he has completed his painting. In the meantime, examine your surroundings. Return to the painter and he will soon tell you that he noticed a woman, perhaps Barbora, who looked like she was waiting for someone, however he seems hesitant in telling you more. You insist that the painter tell you everything he knows and he eventually agrees after you buy the unfinished painting he has been working on. The painting is of a mysterious man.

You will learn that before Barbora left the bridge, she quickly wrote something as she stood close to the statue of Saint Thomas. Before exploring the area beside the statue, take another look at the unfinished portrait by the painter (right click the portrait in the inventory bar). Now go and examine the pedestal of the statue by right clicking the mouse button. You will find the message that Barbora left there. You can read her note by right clicking the letter in the inventory bar. You will discover that Barbora had to leave hastily because someone was following her. You need to call Professor de Vilde to find out where Barbora lives...

Enjoy the rest of your adventure!



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Online Support – <http://www.AdventureCompanyGames.com/tac/support/index.php>

We have posted common problems and solutions that may help you. We also suggest that you complete the Technical Support form located at our web site. Please provide a detailed description of the problem you are experiencing (i.e. error message, where in the game the problem occurs, etc.). This will help our Representatives find a solution much quicker.

Phone Support – 416-638-1170*

If you would like to speak with one of our Technical Support Representatives, our hours of operation are from 10am to 7pm EST, Monday through Friday.

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- 2) A detailed description of the problem (i.e. error message, where in the game the problem occurs, etc.).
- 3) Immediate access to your computer so the Representative may walk you through the steps.
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